

SESSION OF 2023

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE BILL NO. 59**

As Recommended by Senate Committee on  
Federal and State Affairs

**Brief\***

SB 59 would designate the Thursday immediately preceding the third Monday in January of 2023 and in subsequent years as “Martin Luther King, Jr. Day at the Capitol.”

**Background**

The bill was requested for introduction by Senator Faust-Goudeau and Senator Haley.

***Senate Committee on Federal and State Affairs***

In the Senate Committee hearing, **proponent** testimony was provided by Senator Faust-Goudeau, Senator Haley, a representative of the Kansas African American Affairs Commission, and a private citizen. The proponents indicated the designation would be a meaningful way to acknowledge Dr. King’s legacy and invite everyone to join the annual events planned for the day.

Representative Boyd, representatives of the Kansas African American Museum and the Racial Profiling Advisory Board of Wichita, and a private citizen provided written-only proponent testimony.

No other testimony was provided.

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

The Senate Committee recommended the bill be placed on the Consent Calendar.

### **Fiscal Information**

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on the bill, the Department of Administration indicates that enactment would have no fiscal effect.

Commemoration; Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; capitol